



TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 30 TAC CHAPTER 114

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (commission) will conduct a public hearing to receive testimony regarding proposed revisions to 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 114, Low Income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (LIRAP) Revisions, §114.7 and §114.64, under the requirements of Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001, Subchapter B.

The proposed rulemaking would implement Chapter 114 to incorporate the federal Tier 3 emission standards, established under 40 Code of Federal Regulations Section 86.1811-17, as an eligibility component for replacement vehicles and as a determinant for the replacement compensation amount. The proposed amendments would also specify that no more than \$600 in assistance may be granted annually per vehicle for emissions-related repairs to pass the required annual emissions inspection. Finally, the proposed rulemaking would provide more detail to the definition of "engine" and make other non-substantive clarifying changes as needed for accuracy and consistency.

The commission will hold a public hearing on this proposal in Austin on October 20, 2016, at 2:00 pm in Building E, Room 201S, at the commission's central office located at 12100 Park 35 Circle. The hearing is structured for the receipt of oral or written comments by interested persons. Individuals may present oral statements when called upon in order of registration. Open discussion will not be permitted during the hearing; however, commission staff members will be available to discuss the proposal 30 minutes prior to the hearing.

Persons who have special communication or other accommodation needs who are planning to attend the hearing should contact Sandy Wong, Office of Legal Services at (512) 239-1802 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD). Requests should be made as far in advance as possible.

Written comments may be submitted to Derek Baxter, MC 205, Office of Legal Services, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or faxed to (512) 239-4808. Electronic comments may be submitted at: <http://www1.tceq.texas.gov/rules/ecomments/>. File size restrictions may apply to comments being submitted via the *eComments* system. All comments should reference Rule Project Number 2016-031-114-AI. The comment period closes October 24, 2016. Copies of the proposed rulemaking can be obtained from the commission's website at http://www.tceq.texas.gov/rules/propose_adopt.html. For further information, please contact Alison Stokes, Air Quality Division, (512) 239-2428.

